

Several Holyoke educators are recognized by Northeast BOCES

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Several Holyoke educators were recently recognized for their outstanding efforts when it comes to working with students in the Holyoke school system.

Wednesday, April 25, Northeast Colorado Boards of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES) held its 29th annual honors night.

A team of six Holyoke paraprofessionals earned the honor of Outstanding Team. Debra Drees, Michelle Gregg, Aydaly Juarez, Sarah St. Martin, Letty Penzing and Christene Strecker were the proud recipients of the award.



Holyoke special education teachers who were recently recognized as the Northeast Colorado BOCES Outstanding Team are pictured from left, front row, Letty Penzing, Debra Drees and nominator Annette Mitchell; and back row, Aydaly Juarez, Christene Strecker, Michelle Gregg and Sarah St. Martin. —Enterprise photo

The group was nominated by resource teacher Annette Mitchell who said, “They have gone above and beyond in working with special education staff and the classroom teachers. They are very dedicated to their student and want to push him/her to work and learn as much as possible. They are very flexible and will jump in and help in any other way possible.”

Special education teacher Lynette Harms was recognized by BOCES for being nominated as outstanding special education teacher. She was also nominated by Mitchell.

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“She works with all of the students with a special compassion and makes sure she meets each student’s needs and pushes them to learn and excel to each of their capabilities,” Mitchell said.



Lynette Harms was recognized by BOCES for having been nominated as an outstanding special education teacher.□ □

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Director of Holyoke Alternative School Cindi Beavers was awarded the Outstanding Teacher in the classroom award.

“Mrs. Beavers works with students, whom others call ‘difficult, behavioral issue students, and disrespectful’ and has turned their lives around,” nominator Tanisha Bules said in her letter.



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Cindi Beavers, second from right, receives her plaque recognizing her as Outstanding Classroom Teacher from BOCES parent coordinator Carolyn Davis. Also pictured are Tanisha Bules who nominated Beavers, and HHS principal Susan Ortner. —Enterprise photo

Bules went on to explain how Beavers interacts with her students to help them succeed in life.

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